New Specifications - 2001 ENERGY STAR® Moves With New Technologies

For 2001, the Department of Energy has raised the federal energy efficiency standards for certain appliances. To ensure that consumers can find the most energy efficient appliances on the market, the ENERGY STAR specifications for clothes washers, dishwashers, refrigerators and room air conditioners are also changing. With ENERGY STAR, money isn't all you're saving, you're also saving energy. And that's

good for the environment.

What will this mean for your customers in 2001?

- ENERGY STAR qualified clothes washers use 30-40% less energy and 50% less water per load than standard models.
- ENERGY STAR qualified dishwashers use 25% less energy than standard models.
- ENERGY STAR qualified refrigerators use 10% less energy than standard models.
- ENERGY STAR qualified room air conditioners use 10% less energy than standard models. (Only units without reverse cycle and with louvered sides qualify.)

Identifying ENERGY STAR Qualified Appliances

The ENERGY STAR logo should only be found on products that meet the ENERGY STAR specifications. A retailer can find an up-to-date list of qualified models on www.energystar.gov/products. Retailers should continue to work closely with local utility partners to identify and label qualified products.

In 2001, manufacturers may choose to identify qualified models by using the logo on the yellow EnergyGuide label and/or by applying a permanent label to the appliance.